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Applicants : Connie T. Marshall et al.

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For : SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DISPLAYING INFORMATION WITH A PERCEIVED PARTIAL TRANSPARENCY OVER A TELEVISION PROGRAM (AS AMENDED)

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Examiner : Victor R. Kostak

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Hon. Commissioner
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Washington, D.C. 20231

New York, New York
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 8, 2000, applicants submit the following:

REMARKS

Summary of Office Action

Claims 1-27 are pending in this application.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 and 12-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Davis et al. U.S. Patent No. 5,559,548 (hereafter "Davis").

The Examiner rejected claims 2-11 under the judicially created doctrine of obvious-type double-